(Wayanad Distt.); Amritapuri, Puthiyakavu, Parippally, Shrayikkad (Kollam Distt.);

Tamil Nadu: Thiruvaiyaru (Thanjavur Distt.; Sempatti (Dindigul Distt.); Thangachimadam, (Ramnad Distt.); Annavasal (Pudukkottai Distt.); Nagapattinam (Nagapattinam Distt.); Ettimada (Coimbatore Distt.);

Gujarat: Dhokawada (Patan Distt.); Kharagoda (Surendranagar Distt.); Mogar (Anand Distt.); Bodeli (Vadodara Distt.); SEWA Gram Mahila Haat (Ahmedabad Distt.); Pij (Kheda Distt.); Shamakhiyali, Adesar, Bhadreshwar, Khawda, Bhuj (Kutch Distt.);

Maharashtra: Anandwan (Chandrapur Distt.); Waifad, (Wardha Distt.);

Orissa: Jeypore (Koraput Distt.)

Rajasthan: Pokran (Jaisalmer Distt.);

Uttar Pradesh: Raebareily, Lalganj, Unchahar, Jayas (Raebareily Distt.); Amethi, Jagdishpur Gauriganj, Tikarmafi (Sultanpur Distt.).

(c) The cost of setting up one Village Resource Centre is approximately Rs. 4.50 lakh.

(d) The number of virtual classrooms functioning in the country is approximately 2000 under tele-education programme.

Moon mission

522. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India's first mission to the moon is progressing according to plans towards the targeted launch of the lunar spacecraft next year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Chandrayaan-I would carry American and European payloads intended to conduct experiments for their own countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. India's first mission

to the moon, Chandrayaan-1, is progressing as per plan towards its launch in 2007-08. The Preliminary Design Reviews of Chandrayaan-1 spacecraft and payload systems have been completed. The development of the spacecraft, scientific instruments and establishment of deep space network are progressing satisfactorily.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. In addition to the main Indian scientific instruments, four instruments from Europe and two from US have been selected by ISRO for inclusion in Chandrayaan-1 for conducting experiments for the advancement of scientific knowledge about moon.

Securing global launch market by India

523. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is aiming to secure at least 10 per cent of the global launch market worth $ 2 billion a year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are taking the assistance of Italian universities and academic institutions for astronomy observations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) Indian launch vehicle programme is mainly intended to meet the domestic requirements. After meeting internal requirements, the residual capacity is made available for commercial launches for other countries.

(b) The present annual forecast in respect of the demand for launch services globally is about 15-20 launches in Geo-stationery orbits and about 3 to 6 launches in other orbits. Considering the current market scenario and heavy competition, a maximum of 5% of the global market share can be targeted by Indian for launch vehicles and related services.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

MoU between ISRO and KMML

524. SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any MoU has been signed between ISRO and KMML